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SRI V. K. KOTHANDARAMAN : மேஜை பேரில் வைக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிற ஸ்டேட்மெண்டில் திருநெல்வேலி ஜில்லா, திருச்சி ஜில்லா ஆகிய இரண்டில் மாத்திரம் லைசென்ஸீஸ் ஏரியா என்று ஸ்டார் போட்டு காண்பிக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. மற்ற பல ஜில்லாக்களிலும் இருக்கின்றன. வட ஆற்காடு ஜில்லாவில் வேலூர், குடியாத்தம் தாலூகாக்களில் இருக்கின்றன. இப்படி லைசென்ஸீஸ் ஏரியா இருப்பதால் பல கிராமங்களில் மின்சாரம் பெற முடியாத நிலைமை இருக்கிறது. ஆகவே, இதையெல்லாம் சர்க்காரே ஏற்றுக்கொண்டு மின்சார வசதி செய்வதற்கு துரிதமாக ஏற்பாடு செய்யப்படுமா ?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : மற்ற ஜில்லாக்களிலும் லைசென்ஸ்தார்கள் இருக்கிறார்கள்—ஆனால் இங்கே தனியாகக் குறிப்பிடப்படவில்லை. தனியாகக் கேள்வி போட்டால் அந்த விவரங்களையும் கொடுக்க முடியும்.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : In these days of nationalization of industries what justification have the Government to continue the private licensing system for the distribution of energy to the rural parts?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : The justification is that when we consider the entire question, we feel that, instead of taking it over from the licensees who have already served a particular area, we can spend that money on unserved areas.

*State Electricity Board (Auditing of accounts)*

* 2083 Q.—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the accounts of the State Electricity Board has been audited since its formation;

(*b*) if so, for which years; and

(*c*) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : (*a*) It is presumed that the hon. Member refers to the Consolidated Annual Accounts of the Board. The Annual accounts as such have not yet been audited since the formation of the Board

(*b*) Does not arise.

(*c*) There have been a number of complications and differences of opinion with the Accountant-General, Madras, in regard to the classification of assets for calculating depreciation, presentation of accounts, etc. Settlement of these have taken a considerable time and the accounts relating to the period from 1st July 1957 to 31st March 1958 have been finalised and sent to the Accountant-General for his Audit Report. Now that the accounts for 1956-57 have been finalisd, the preparation of the annual accounts for further periods and audit thereof will not take a long time.

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SRI K. VINAYAKAM : May I know how many years had passed since the Board was constituted? Why is there delay in not even auditing the first year's accounts? Are we to believe that the entire Board is working on proper lines in the absence of their accounts being audited?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : In my answer to Part (c) I have just indicated the difficulties which we have faced. These difficulties have been more or less overcome or settled and the first year's accounts audit has been over and for subsequent years, the work is in progress.

*Electricity for Textile Mills*

* 2084 *Q.*—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to supply additional electric power to all textile mills in the State, and if so, when?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : Instructions have been issued by the Chief Engineer of the Madras State Electricity Board on 27th June 1961 authorizing the Superintending Engineers of the department to allow additional hours of supply to textile mills and other H.T. consumers.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Since electrical energy is not supplied uniformly and continuously to textile mills like the B. and C. Mills, Madras, there has been shift system going on and in some cases unemployment has resulted. Would the Hon. Minister reconsider the Government's decision and give them continuous electrical energy which they need?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : From 27th June 1961 the supply has been improved and we still have grouping and staggering because of want of sufficient power. But I do not think after our improved supply there would be much difficulty.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : May I know whether this additional supply of power has been utilized for the third shift by the textile mills?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : Many mills have availed of the supply.

**SRI A. MARIAPPAN :** ஸார், திருநெல்வேலி கூட்டுறவு நூற்பு ஆலைக்கு மின்சாரம் சப்ளை கிடைக்காததினால், மூன்றாவது ஷிப்ட் ஆரம்பிக்கப்படவில்லை என்பது சர்க்காருக்குத் தெரியுமா?

**THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH :** அதற்குத் தனியாக ஒரு கேள்வி வேண்டும்.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : May I know whether this additional supply of power is given only to textile mills or to other industries also? If so, what are those other industries?